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STRIKE AT PFL IN ORISSA
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Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether there have been frequent strikes at Phosphetic Fertiliser Limited (PFL) plant at Paradeep in Orissa;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the details of steps taken to look into the demand of the workers of PFL?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MUNI LALL)

(a) and (b) No Sir. However, Contract Labourers working under different contractors atthe plant were on strike from 26th October, 2001 to 9th November, 2001 to press their demand of making their service permanent.

(c) The contractors and the management participated in the conciliation in the presence of the District Labour Officer-cum-Conciliation Officer. The Company`s Management clarified during the conciliation that the demand for granting permanent status to contract labourers could not be considered since the case was subjudice in the Orissa High Court. However, thematter regarding wage revision of contract labourers was settled amicably.